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An exchange says that General Grant not only escaped from the railroad wreck on the Long Branch Road, but made fifty cents by testifying at the coroner's inquest.

The Atlanta papers say that the condition of Senator Hill is not at all encouraging, and that it is only a question of time when he must succumb to his malady. Prayers are offered in the churches for his recovery.

SENATOR JOE BROWN has made a donation to the Georgia State University of \$50,000, the income of which is to be loaned to indigent and deserving students. This is munificence well worthy of imitation.

Mr. WINSTON WILLIAMS has been detailed by the Controller General to investigate the fiscal affairs of Chester county—about which there has been a little stir. The investigation will be at once exhaustive and impartial.

THERE is much distress among the Chinese in San Francisco. Thousands are thrown suddenly out of employment by combinations that have prevailed on employers to discharge them, and all business is so stagnant that there are no new openings for them.

CONKLING has frightened the half-breeds by a speech in which he criticized the extravagance and methods of the Republican party. They fear his reappearance in the House of Representatives as a sort of political free lance.

COLONEL LAMAR, of the *Journal Telegraph and Messenger*, and Colonel MARRELL, of the *Atlanta Constitution*, recently tried to fight a duel, but were prevented, after which friends came in and settled the difficulty as it should have been from the first.

It is reported in the newspapers that Senator Fishburne was over in Camden "investigating" the killing of Colonel Blair. It is stated that he is applied to the United States Commissioner for a warrant to arrest Captain Blair, but the Federal official very sensibly declined to act in the matter.

DR. JONES, of the State University, had an able paper read at the National Educational Association, at Saratoga, on the adoption, by colleges, of a special course of preparation for teachers. Dr. Carlisle, of Wofford, made an incisive argument against the prize system as an incentive to students.

The excellence of the Democratic ticket in Pennsylvania has excited the fears of the Republicans, and caused the two factions to hold a conference with a view to securing harmony. Thus far no results have been achieved and Democratic prospects are accordingly bright.

The Hon. Wm. Forcher Miles has determined to resign the presidency of the South Carolina College, in order to look after some private affairs demanding his immediate and undivided attention. The vacancy will be filled at the August meeting of the Board of Trustees. Superintendent Thompson and Senator Hampton have been mentioned for the position.

The Star Route rogues are getting on very comfortably in Washington. Nobody has been convicted, and the grand jury refuses to find bills of indictment against Senator Kellogg and certain other light-fingered gentlemen. Mr. Brewster has ceased to pick up the scattered shreds of his failed in the Charleston cases. He is not half so vindictive against Radical rogues as he was against South Carolina Democrats.

ANON ROBINSON'S official acts of which he says he is proud was the sale of thirty-nine ships which cost \$13,775,887.22 for \$242,524.48 to some of his friends. Another piece of patriotic economy was the purchasing up of some ships which cost \$15,612,000.45 and their sale for about \$450,000. The receipts in both instances were spent on "repairs," so-called, without any authority from Congress. Mr. Robinson was barely saved by his party from the indictment and punishment he so richly deserves.

In the Senate on Monday General Butler endeavored to have the appropriation for Charleston harbor increased from \$300,000 to \$500,000. This increase had been urged by General Gillmore, in charge of the work. But no sooner was the suggestion made in the Senate than Congress, of Michigan, objected, and proceeded to make a speech abusive of South Carolina. Butler replied in fits, characterizing Congress's remarks as a speech for "home consumption," and a sneer for which his motion furnished no justification. The amendment was lost.

JUDGE JERRE S. BLACK, who is now in Chicago on professional business, has been interviewed by one of the experienced scribbles of that city. He expressed the unreserved opinion that General Hancock, as a matter of course, will be the next Democratic candidate for the Presidency, and he thinks the present outlook indicates that the Hon. James G. Blaine will play a large part in the next Presidential campaign. He predicts the election of the Democratic State ticket in Pennsylvania.

The different clubs of Fairfield will all be organized during the coming week. We trust that the people will embrace their interest by turning out in full numbers and getting the campaign properly under way from the very first. We also hope that great harmony will characterize all their actions. Fairfield Democrats have never suffered themselves to be torn by internal dissensions, and for that reason have always put up as gallant a fight as any county in the State, not excepting old Elginfield. Let them stand together again.

The Columbia correspondent of the *News and Courier* mentions Major T. W. Woodward among the number of possible Congressmen. We do not know Major Woodward's position in the matter; but should he enter the

canvass he would have Fairfield at his back. No man in the district could make a more rattling canvass than he, and he would be an active and energetic member, ever awake to the interests of his constituents. In the shaking up of this Congressional district he should at least have an equal chance with his competitors.

AFRANS in Egypt have finally reached a crisis, where shot and shell are to take the place of diplomacy in the settlement of the difficulties for some time pending between that country and England. On Monday the English Admiral, Seymour, gave notice that he would in twenty-four hours open fire on the forts at Alexandria. The time expired at seven o'clock on Tuesday morning, and the bombardment commenced accordingly. The English government has the co-operation of the French, but for the present the French fleet will not actively participate in the contest. The probabilities are that the combined strength of the "powers" will soon show the Egyptian authorities that they hold a very weak hand.

WORK on the Columbia canal is progressing favorably under Major Lee, the engineer in charge. People who oppose the canal are taking a very narrow view in saying it is for the benefit of Columbia. They forget that the State will own the canal when developed, and that by the expenditure of \$80,000 she will secure a water power, the annual rental of which, according to Major Lee, will be \$100,000. It is not only the State that will benefit, but also that of every navigable stream, in her borders, so as to secure valuable property, the lease of which will greatly aid in reducing taxation. The State of Illinois is entirely supported by her railroads. Georgia derives a handsome revenue from her railroad property, while Tennessee receives half a million a year from her penitentiary. Shall South Carolina suffer her account to be underplayed on account of local jealousies?

Some surprise was occasioned by the statement in a recent telegram, that Col. Charles R. Jones, editor of the *Charlotte Observer*, had announced himself an independent candidate for Congress. Colonel Jones has come out in a three-column definition of his course. He claims to be not an "independent," in the usual sense of the term, but an independent Democrat. In further explanation of his course he says: "For the *Observer* to say that its proprietor would be a candidate for Congress without the nomination by a convention does not necessarily imply that we propose to fight the Democratic party, for we have no idea of leaving it. We say further that no trade or bargain of any kind has been entered into for the support and influence of the paper, and that in the event that a Republican candidate is put in the field the proprietor will no longer allow his name to go before the people." The trouble in such cases is that the transition from "independence" to square-on Radicalism is so easy that Colonel Jones, good Democrat as he avows himself to be, will be in great danger of going the usual way. The stages are generally these: 1. Independent Democrat. 2. Independent. 3. Independent Republican. 4. Republican. 5. Radical.

The Republicans are demonstrating more fully than ever their utter disregard of the wants of the people and their subjection to the vast moneyed monopolies and ring interests. We have already alluded to the pitiful pretense of reducing burdens by removing the tax on bank checks, matches, cosmetics and patent medicines. These duties are the most easily collected of all, and their removal, while not benefiting the people, makes no reduction in the number of offices. Mr. Kelly estimates that the income of the government this year will reach \$430,000,000, while the expenditures should not exceed \$280,000,000, leaving a surplus of \$150,000,000. A supplemental bill has been introduced by the Republicans reducing taxes on certain tobacco peddlers, but it is a miserable sham. The tax on peddlers last year realized only \$250,000, and cost more than that in the salaries of detectives and spies. Yet instead of repealing the licenses entirely and reducing the army of office-builders, the new bill keeps all the old machinery and makes a reduction in the revenue of only about \$13,000. The license for dealers in leaf tobacco has been reduced from \$25 down to \$12, but the whole income from this source last year was only \$77,000. Yet a whole army of placemen are employed at heavy salaries to look after this branch of the business. The total receipts from internal revenue reach \$157,000,000, of which \$70,000,000 are for spirits. Abolishing all other duties, the surplus in the treasury would still be over \$80,000,000, leaving a wide margin for tariff reforms. Yet the Republicans, in order to levy contributions on manufacturers and artisans, washes, maintain the tariff and revenue systems, and spend millions of dollars yearly in salaries of collectors. There has never been a greater swindle than this in the history of governments.

THE GREENBACK MOVEMENT. Messrs. TAYLOR: After six years of Democratic rule we have as peaceable and as prosperous a condition of the people and State as is possible, considering the three years of Providential calamities, and taking in view the point from whence we started. But at last some of our people have come to think what will become of the negro, as they did of "Jenks's Baby." The Registration Act does not suit sure-heads, new-party men or independent office-hunters. It is wonderful to see what a lot of trouble and money many cases a little settlement, fuss, or a family "muss"—a little fight and often a lawsuit—results in that way. When one of these "last leavers" comes along, financially long-suffering election-box lovers and pretended negro suffrage lovers lose no time in hunting up, as they think, the person in charge of the registration. They seize upon his shoulder and tell him things cannot run this way much longer; the whole Democratic party and its leaders are mighty wrong; the last leaver is a traitor, and the time has come when Labor shall find relief; and that the only basis for it is to be found in the Greenback Labor Reform party, which they have worked so hard for in Northern Alabama two years ago when exposed by Mr. Edwards, of Montgomery. Ah, saying that, they fall away and leave him to divide the Congressional representation from Democratic States. He is simply a disorganizer.

A SUBSCRIBER. THE GUANO ORDINANCE. The case of the State ex rel. John R. London vs. the Town Council of Rock Hill came up in the Circuit Court at Yorkville last week. The motion for a writ prohibiting the Town Council from enforcing the guano ordinance was refused on the ground that the petition did not show on its face that the council had exceeded its authority in passing the ordinance. Under this ruling the Council is now at liberty to proceed against Mr. London, which action had been prohibited by the temporary writ of prohibition issued by Judge Witherspoon on the 17th of May. We suppose the Council will take some action in the premises at its next meeting. —Rock Hill Herald.

A distressing accident occurred at Society Hill a few days ago. A son of Mr. Winters, who was a cadet of the Charlotte Military Institute, was playing with a bayonet, when it flew into his hand and struck him in the head. The wound brought on brain fever, and he died Tuesday morning.

Liver disease, headache and constipation" by bad digestion, quickly cured by Dr. Williams' Pink Pills.

THE EGYPTIAN QUESTION. Some weeks ago we warned our friend, Arabi Bey, that he would get into trouble if he put on too many airs; but he refused to be guarded by our advice, and in consequence finds himself minus several forts and a good many guns in the harbor of Alexandria. Arabi went out to shear the British Lion and finds himself shorn. He may now discover that he is not as large a fellow as he thought he was, and prudence may yet impel him to hold himself in a little. As for the Khedive, the nominal master of Egypt, he appears to be a mere puppet in the hands of others, and to be more engaged in saving his precious neck from the bowstring than in bringing peace and safety to his people.

The story of the Egyptian complication may be easily told. The former Khedive, Ismail Pasha, who was expelled a year or two ago to abdicate his throne and seek a more congenial abode in Europe for himself, and his three hundred and odd wives, was an extravagant fellow. He had grand schemes for the glory of Egypt and still grander schemes for himself. In the hope of freeing himself from the nominal suzerainty of Turkey, he organized his army, calling for the purpose a number of ex-Federal and ex-Confederate officers, chief among

the former being General Stone, and among the latter, Generals Ewing and Field, and Colonel Rhet. Most of these officers have returned, but Stone is still chief of staff, we believe. Besides putting his army on a war footing, Ismail introduced the French opera bouffe into Grand Cairo, and lived royally and splendidly. The people were taxed outrageously to supply money for these expenditures, and in addition large loans were floated in England and France. Bank protests were beneath his kindly notice, and private creditors were treated to the bastinado when they ventured into the palace on a dunning expedition. Finding him inexorable, Great Britain and France united in securing his abdication, and suffered the throne to descend to his son, Tewfik, only on condition that the finances should be entrusted to two commissioners—one a Frenchman, the other an Englishman. Egypt has been for several years practically under foreign control, Tewfik still maintaining the shadow of authority though the substance had departed. Matters went on from bad to worse, the people groaning under the burden of taxation, and the revenues going to foreign bondholders, not even getting any money any more for months. In this crisis, Arabi Bey, an ambitious native, the head of the army, entertained the idea of freeing his country from foreign influence, and asserting the doctrine that Egypt is for the Egyptians. He began to antagonize the commissioners and the Khedive, and at his request Arabi was dismissed. But his army officers stood firmly by him and threatened rebellion, so that the Khedive, to save himself, reinstated Arabi, though this was a confession of his own weakness. Arabi became bolder day by day, and finally made Tewfik a prisoner in his own palace. England and France dispatched ironclads to protect their interests, and the powers prevailed on Turkey to demand Arabi's submission. Dervish Pasha was sent over from Constantinople to Cairo, but did nothing, indeed he was suspected of being secretly an abettor of the mutiny. In the meantime Arabi began to fortify the port of Alexandria, right under the nose of the foreign fleet; and it is probable that in a short while he would have either had them completely in his power or at any rate could have driven them away.

In this emergency, Admiral Seymour, of the British fleet, demanded the demolition of the forts, and the demolition of the forts would be disastrous, but the work went on secretly. At last, provoked by this persistence, he gave the Egyptians twenty-four hours in which to accede to his terms, threatening to open fire in case of non-compliance. Arabi only worked the harder. On Tuesday morning the British ironclads and gunboats bombarded the forts and demolished them before sunset, but were overpowered by superior skill and appliances. At last accounts the town was on fire and Arabi was nowhere to be seen.

Whether this episode will lead to a general war is not known. England claims that she is in fact aiding a rebel, and the other nations are not entirely satisfied with this explanation. The British Lion will be watching, and he may lay his paw on the land of the pyramids before other cabinets can take measures to preserve the "balance of power." We have some sympathy for Arabi. Still no one doubts that Egypt's only hope of prosperity lies in her complete civilization and subjection to western influences. Arabi may be a hero, but he cannot offer anything better in exchange for the old order of things. It is probable that he will come to grief along with Cemway and Theodore and Numbi Jumbo and the other leaders who have had the temerity to cross swords with Great Britain.

THE NIGHT ATTACK. At 9 o'clock the attacking party was assembled, and a market bell was rung, and leaving my watch, sword-belt and seal-bag with Col. Nelson, I joined the party, accompanied by Major Twigg, and followed by the rest of the party. We went out followed by a strong night picket. Gen. Taliaferro told me that Major Twigg would follow him, and that he would be directed by him as to what to do. I then requested him to give personally such warning as should secure my safety from the pursuing forces, and he promised to do so. I then went to the battery, and the picket and ourselves fell back on the battery, and the pursuing forces followed us. The picket and ourselves fell back on the battery, and the pursuing forces followed us. The picket and ourselves fell back on the battery, and the pursuing forces followed us.

After sending out scouts to the front, and ascertaining that for some distance there were no enemy's pickets, we moved forward, and the picket and ourselves fell back on the battery, and the pursuing forces followed us. The picket and ourselves fell back on the battery, and the pursuing forces followed us. The picket and ourselves fell back on the battery, and the pursuing forces followed us. The picket and ourselves fell back on the battery, and the pursuing forces followed us.

What happened to the enemy. This was related to me by Capt. George D. Ramsey, of the United States engineers, while in charge of the Arsenal in Charleston, 1872: Capt. Ramsey was on the island at the time of our attack. Upon the attack on the first line, after a gallant defense, the 4th New York Regiment and the battery of artillery fell back upon the second line. This line, held by two regiments and two batteries, was in turn assaulted (? when after delivering a volley, it gave way and fell back upon the third line. Next two hundred were killed and wounded by this fire before they could put themselves under cover.

THE HOUSE OF COMMONS. In concluding his report for the past month Commissioner Butler says: "The outlook is indeed encouraging. The farmers are more hopeful than the crops have been safely harvested and housed, and the yield of both has been bountiful. One source of trouble from the crop is the yield of small grain is the best ever known. We have oats and wheat enough to feed all our stock and people, and we do not make a bushel of corn we will not suffer for the necessities of life." Another correspondent in Marlboro county says: "The corn crop in this county is a record. In this county there are 533 bushels of oats from four acres of upland. Another correspondent in the same county reports that 125 bushels of corn were raised from one acre of upland. A number of acres of common plain. The cotton crop promises to be an average one, at least; the corn crop gives promise of a good yield. 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